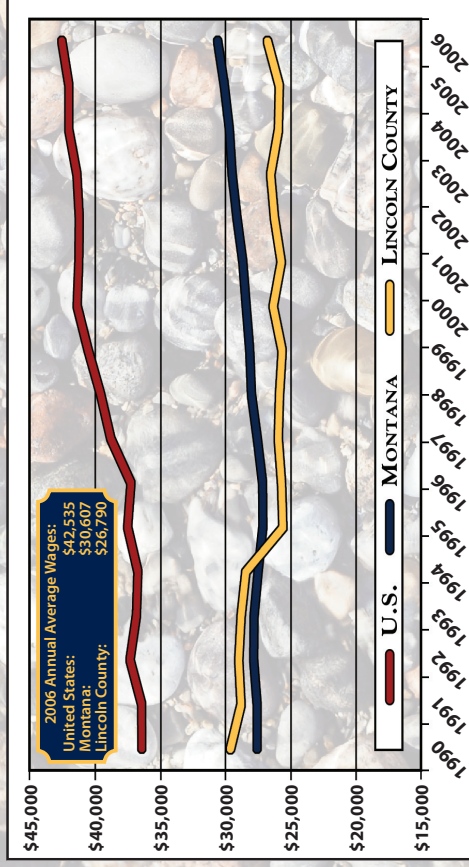


## Annual Average Labor Force - Lincoln County

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2006	7,671	7,187	484	6.3%
2005	7,671	7,066	605	7.9%
2004	7,630	6,913	717	9.4%
2003	7,609	6,728	881	11.6%
2002	7,539	6,853	686	9.1%
2001	7,721	7,060	661	8.6%
2000	7,890	7,231	659	8.4%

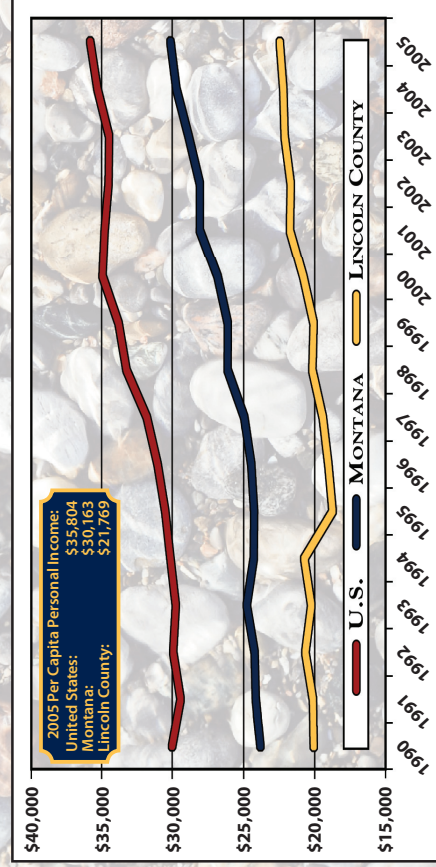
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

## Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2006 (In 2006 Dollars)



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

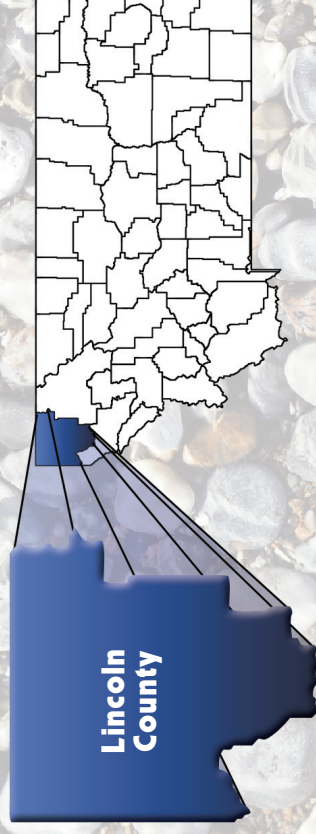
## Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2005 (In 2006 Dollars)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information System

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## Demographic & Economic Information for Lincoln County



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## LINCOLN COUNTY

Lincoln County, located in the northwest corner of Montana, is the state's tenth most populous county, with an estimated 19,226 residents as of July 1st, 2006. Libby, the county seat, is the state's 27th largest city, with a population estimated at 2,662 in 2006.<sup>1</sup> Other cities and towns in Lincoln County include: Eureka, Fortine, Rexford, Trego, and Troy.

Seventy-six percent of the land in Lincoln County belongs to the Kootenai National Forest. Of Lincoln County's privately owned land, Burlington Northern and Plum Creek Timber are the two major owners, possessing a combined 14%. The remaining private land is individually owned.<sup>2</sup>

Lincoln County's major industries include Tourism, Recreation, Mining, and Lumber & Wood products. In fact, Lincoln County is the largest producer of wood products in Montana and has the most commercial forest land in the state.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau, *Population Estimates Program*  
<sup>2</sup>[www.libby.org/homepage/local-links/tour2.html](http://www.libby.org/homepage/local-links/tour2.html)  
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## Resources for Lincoln County

### Chamber of Commerce

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**Troy Area Chamber of Commerce**  
P. O. Box 3005, Troy, MT 59935  
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### Economic Development

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E-mail: [krdc@frontier.net](mailto:krdc@frontier.net), [www.krdc.net](http://www.krdc.net)

### Newspaper

**The Montanian**  
P. O. Box 946  
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### Job Service Workforce Center

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## Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2006 (continued)

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
Truck transportation	18	48	\$30,253
Transit and ground passenger transport	1	*	*
Support activities for transportation	3	*	*
Postal service	1	*	*
Couriers and messengers	1	*	*
INFORMATION	12	91	\$33,726
Publishing industries, except Internet	4	*	*
Motion picture, sound recording industry	3	17	\$4,425
Broadcasting, except Internet	1	*	*
Telecommunications	4	53	\$49,076
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	20	131	\$25,464
Credit intermediation & related activity	9	91	\$25,920
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	2	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	9	*	*
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	20	68	\$19,474
Real estate	14	40	\$27,544
Rental and leasing services	6	28	\$8,060
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	37	106	\$27,188
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	4	30	\$36,172
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	17	113	\$35,019
Administrative and support services	13	*	*
Waste management and remediation service	5	*	*
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	4	24	\$21,354
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	46	813	\$24,210
Ambulatory health care services	28	289	\$20,273
Hospitals	1	*	*
Nursing and residential care facilities	3	174	\$22,779
Social assistance	14	*	*
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	24	144	\$14,600
Performing arts and spectator sports	3	6	\$16,858
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	21	138	\$14,504
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	57	507	\$10,208
Accommodation	12	108	\$12,491
Food services and drinking places	46	399	\$9,590
OTHER SERVICES	51	192	\$13,762
Repair and maintenance	16	54	\$20,490
Personal and laundry services	6	16	\$12,822
Membership associations & organizations	26	107	\$9,461
Private households	4	15	\$21,562
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	49	1,381	\$37,499
Local Government	24	788	\$26,056
State Government	9	98	\$37,492
Federal Government	16	495	\$55,720

The QCEW program compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)

## Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2006

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	678	5,573	\$26,790
TOTAL PRIVATE	629	4,192	\$23,263
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	58	226	\$34,244
Crop production	3	*	*
Forestry and logging	40	183	\$33,909
Agriculture & forestry support	15	*	*
MINING	7	*	*
Mining, except oil and gas	6	30	\$31,592
Support activities for mining	1	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	103	304	\$26,758
Construction of buildings	40	124	\$22,415
Heavy and civil engineering construction	13	29	\$29,158
Specialty trade contractors	50	152	\$29,864
MANUFACTURING	37	319	\$32,200
Food manufacturing	1	*	*
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	1	*	*
Wood product manufacturing	10	188	\$38,308
Printing and related support activities	2	*	*
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	3	*	*
Primary metal manufacturing	1	*	*
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	2	*	*
Machinery manufacturing	4	15	\$22,097
Transportation equipment manufacturing	3	10	\$14,238
Furniture and related product mfg	9	39	\$22,303
Miscellaneous manufacturing	2	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	13	46	\$21,425
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	6	26	\$21,011
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	4	15	\$17,028
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	3	5	\$38,189
RETAIL TRADE	97	738	\$17,542
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	12	71	\$31,611
Furniture and home furnishings stores	6	15	\$18,072
Electronics and appliance stores	2	*	*
Building material & garden supply stores	10	70	\$21,973
Food and beverage stores	10	263	\$16,224
Health and personal care stores	6	45	\$19,084
Gasoline stations	13	123	\$13,666
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	5	*	*
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	5	23	\$8,802
General merchandise stores	5	48	\$12,683
Miscellaneous store retailers	14	31	\$11,560
Nonstore retailers	8	26	\$24,937
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	24	149	\$22,628
Air transportation	1	*	*

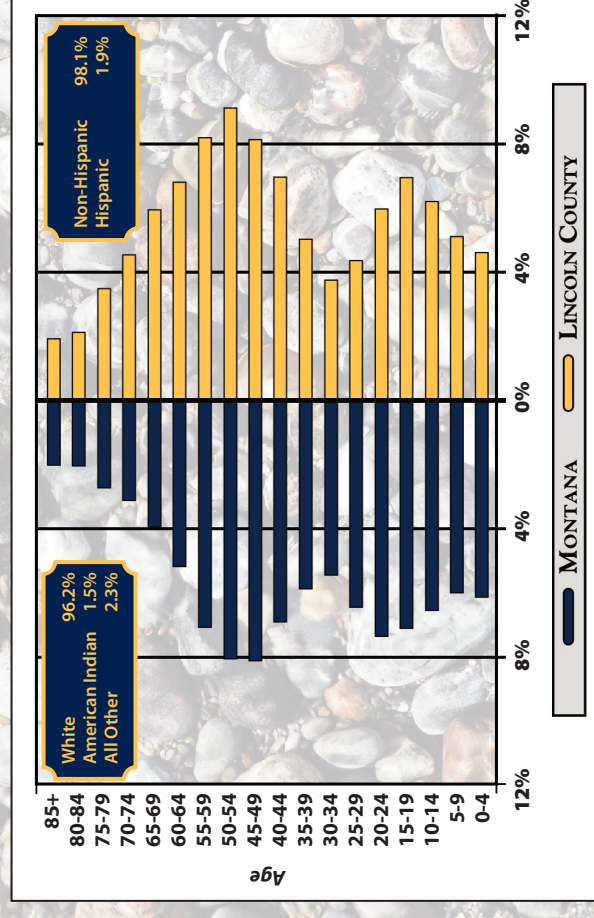
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\* Data Not Disclosable

## Population for Lincoln County & Related Areas

Geography	% Change 2000-2006	Population Estimates								Census
		July 1, 2006	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2004	July 1, 2003	July 1, 2002	July 1, 2001	July 1, 2000		
Lincoln County	2.1%	19,226	19,182	19,065	18,899	18,739	18,729	18,842	18,837	
Eureka town	1.1%	1,028	1,028	1,021	1,013	1,006	1,007	1,016	1,017	
Libby city	1.4%	2,662	2,647	2,648	2,619	2,595	2,601	2,625	2,626	
Rexford town	2.0%	154	154	153	152	150	150	151	151	
Troy city	3.9%	994	985	975	967	960	962	967	957	
Balance of Lincoln County	2.1%	14,388	14,368	14,268	14,148	14,028	14,009	14,083	14,086	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

## Distribution of Population by Age Montana and Lincoln County, 2006



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 Population Estimates

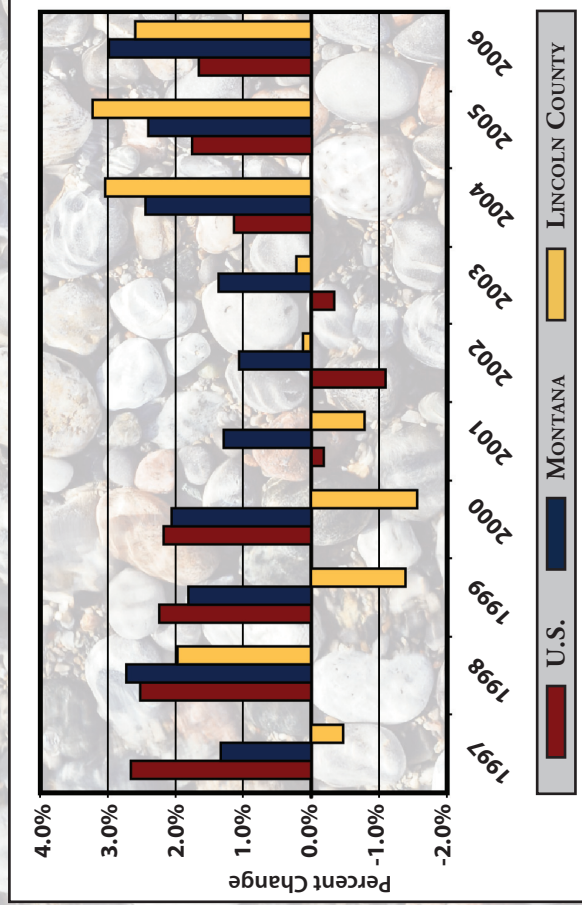
## Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Lincoln County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	19.8%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	38.0%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	23.2%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	5.3%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	9.4%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	3.0%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	1.0%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	0.3%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000



## Percent Change in Employment: 1997 to 2006 U.S., Montana, and Lincoln County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

## Top 15 Private Employers in Lincoln County (Based on 2nd Quarter 2007 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
A Full Life Agency	5	Mountain View Manor	5
Achievements Inc.	4	Noble Excavating	4
Environmental Restoration	5	Plum Creek Timber	5
Four Corners Casino & Restaurant	4	Rosauer's Food & Drug	6
Genesis Inc.	6	St John's Lutheran Hospital	6
Harlow's School Bus Service	5	Stein's IGA	6
Libby Care Center	5	Venture Motor Inn & Restaurant	4
McDonald's	4		

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 9 = 1000+ employees, Class 8 = 500 to 999 employees, Class 7 = 250 to 499 employees, Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99 employees, Class 4 = 20 to 49 employees, Class 3 = 10 to 19 employees, Class 2 = 5 to 19 employees, Class 1 = 1 to 9 employees

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

## Agricultural Statistics - Lincoln County

Farms	
Farms: (number)	310
Land in farms (acres)	54,236
Average size of farms (acres)	175
Farms by size: (number)	
Less than 1,000 acres	301
1,000 acres or more	9
Farms by value of products sold and government payments received: (number)	
Less than \$100,000	308
\$100,000 or more	2
Farms by type of organization: (number)	
Family, Individual, Partnership	294
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	16

### Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested

Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)	
Cattle and calves	3,160
Hogs and pigs	229
Sheep and lambs	323
Horses and ponies	1,092
Bison	(D)
Chickens (layers and broilers)	1,150
Crops Harvested (acres)	
Corn for grain	0
Corn for silage or greenchop	0
Wheat for grain, All	0
Winter wheat for grain	0
Durum wheat for grain	0
Spring wheat for grain	0
Barley for grain	(D)
Oats for grain	29
Sunflower seed, All	0
Soybeans for beans	0
Hay, hayslage, grass silage	7,344

### Operator Demographics

Primary occupation: (number)	
Farming	150
Other	160
Place of residence: (number)	
On farm operated	278
Not on farm operated	32
Years on present farm: (number)	
Less than 10 years	89
10 years or more	221
Age group: (number)	
Under 55 years	132
55 years and over	178
Average age of operators: (number)	56.3

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002  
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